

AN IMPORTANT TERM

Corporation Court Has Begun

Work for July,

CRIMINAL DOCKET CALLED

When Some of the More Interesting Cases

Will be Brought Up for Trial, East

End Boys Got Their Weapons

Back, Police Court Docket.

The corporation court convened yesterday in July term with Judge Barham on the bench.

The criminal docket was called in the morning and in the afternoon the court's time was occupied with the consideration of the case of Powle vs. Shea, an attachment suit arising over the commission of the auctioneers who sold a portion of the Windsor Hotel furniture on June 29th.

If unexpected hitches do not occur this is a busy and important term.

The case of April Robinson, charged with grand larceny, is set for today, and will be an interesting one.

On the 19th the case of Ben Bates will be called for the second time. Bates, it will be remembered, is the man who shot Charlie Wilkerson in front of the yardmaster's office between the tracks one Saturday about midnight several months ago.

According to statements made at the time, Bates was under Wilkerson when the fatal shot was fired. The defense will be self defense, and it is understood the young man's counsel have a strong case to present. The State's case is also strong one, and the chances are that there will be a legal battle almost as bitter and hardly fought as in the Wood case.

The case of W. C. Brown is set for today also. The case of William O'Boyle, charged with murder, will come up on Monday, the 17th inst.

Among other cases set are the following:

Commonwealth vs. H. Riddle, Wednesday, 26th.

Commonwealth vs. Mrs. Godsey, Wednesday, 26th.

Commonwealth vs. John Jackson, Wednesday, 26th.

Commonwealth vs. Richard Williams, Thursday, 13th.

Commonwealth vs. R. T. Hamilton, Thursday, 27th.

Commonwealth vs. Frank Mallicott, Thursday, 13th.

Commonwealth vs. E. L. Parker, Friday, 14th.

Commonwealth vs. Henry Brewington, Tuesday, 11th; motion for a new trial.

Commonwealth vs. John Charity, Wednesday, 12th.

Commonwealth vs. Rosa Last, Tuesday, 25th.

Commonwealth vs. Louis Maffeo, Tuesday, 25th.

Commonwealth vs. Ida L. Buttu, Tuesday, 25th.

Commonwealth vs. Jennie Pettiford, Tuesday, 25th.

GAVE BACK THE GUNS.

When Messrs. Baker and Skinner were arrested a week or so ago for assaulting a young man on the East side, on each was found a revolver. These weapons were taken from the young men at the stationhouse. It is usual for the State to confiscate all weapons found on prisoners, and yesterday Attorney Saunders, went before Justice Robinson and asked that the revolvers be given back to his clients, urging as his ground for the plea that neither Baker nor Skinner had been convicted of carrying concealed weapons and therefore, in the eyes of the law, they were guiltless of doing so. His Honor decided that the point was well taken and ordered that the weapons be returned to their owners.

POLICE COURT.

Justice Brown yesterday disposed of the following cases:

Samuel Priam, assault; peace bond of \$200.

M. J. Collier, Frank Smith, James Pont, E. Crisley, Pat Campbell, drunk; \$2 and costs.

Pearl Campbell, disorderly; \$5 and bond of \$100 for ten days.

Capitola Madeline Jones, disorderly; \$3 and bond of \$50 for sixty days.

C. O. Cox, jumping board bill; warrant withdrawn upon payment of costs.

Emma Drew, disorderly; \$3 and bond of \$100 for three months.

Richard Miller, J. W. Messick, H. D. Coleman, cattle running at large; \$2.

Alice Robinson, disorderly conduct; \$3 and bond of \$50 for thirty days.

W. B. Clements, horse running at large, dismissed.

CAPT. BERKELEY'S DECISION.

Will Not Go to the Philippines, But Will

Locate in Newport News.

Captain Charles C. Berkeley, formerly in command of Company K, Fourth United States Volunteer Infantry (Immunized), has decided to withdraw from military life permanently and has opened a law office in this city.

This decision on the part of Captain Berkeley will doubtless be received by many of his friends with great surprise as well as pleasure. It was pretty well understood that he had made up his mind to continue in the service and he was expected to go to the Philippines with Colonel Pettit's regiment, which is the newly authorized Thirty-first Infantry. This regiment is being recruited in Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois and will be sent to Manila to reinforce General Otis in the near future.

Although Captain Berkeley has never acknowledged it, it is pretty well known that he was to have been a major in the new regiment and from thoroughly reliable sources it is learned that Colonel Pettit had offered the office to Captain Berkeley. The officers of the old Fourth Immunes will many of them be commissioned in the new command and until yesterday Colonel Pettit expected to have the Newport News officer with him and it is supposed that he wished him to serve as a major.

Saturday night Captain Berkeley received a letter from the colonel saying that the old officers who were going to the Philippines were assembling in Washington and asking him to go there

at once so that he could be commissioned.

Colonel Pettit was so sure that the captain intended to join the regiment that in his letter he told Captain Berkeley to see if any recruits could be secured in this neighborhood for the new command, explaining that they would only have to go to the States assigned to the metering-in of the regiment to be sworn in.

In answering this letter yesterday Captain Berkeley told the colonel that he had decided to re-establish himself here to practice law and said that he had given up all ideas of going to the Philippines. This will be a great surprise to many, as it is virtually the refusal of a majorship. It is a demonstration of the captain's belief in the future of Newport News.

The other officers from this State who served with the Fourth Immunes will, it is understood, all try to secure commissions in the Thirty-first Infantry with, perhaps, one or two exceptions. It is also possible that recruits from this section will be looked for and mustered into the regiment. A number from Norfolk can doubtless be secured, and it is known that there are several young men in Newport News who are anxious to serve in the far East. Possibly some of these young men will join the Thirty-first, as they know the officers of the old regiment by reputation, if not personally.

Lieutenant J. W. Barker, of the regular army, who has charge of the United States recruiting office in Norfolk, has received orders from Washington to commence the work of getting recruits for the new regiments authorized by the President, and in which is the command of Colonel Pettit.

It is expected that most of the recruits secured across the Roads will be for the Twenty-seventh Infantry, which is more of a Southern regiment than any of the others. This is the command that was at first given to Colonel Pettit, but later he was assigned to the Thirty-first, of which he is now in charge.

Lieutenant Barker has stated that in securing these recruits the educational qualifications of the applicants would be waived. Although recruits are expected only to have a limited knowledge of the English language and to be able to read and write, many of the men who apply are turned down because they cannot meet this requirement.

The volunteers who enlist at Norfolk now for service in these ten new regiments will have to serve until June 30, 1901, a period of less than two years. In the regular army the enlistment has always been for the term of three years heretofore.

Lieutenant Barker commenced the enlisting for these regiments yesterday and, although the educational qualifications have been waived, the soldiers will be put through a strict examination, especially as to the physical condition and fitness to serve in the Philippines. He has two aides to assist him, and examinations will be conducted with expedition. As soon as volunteers are enlisted here they will be furnished transportation to the various camps, where they will be assigned to companies.

THE MYSTERY ELUCIDATED

THAT SPECIAL MEETING OF BOARD

OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS.

Question of Who Called It and Why It

Was Called and Whether

It Will Meet.

Mr. W. C. Stuart, who is a member of the board of police commissioners, and Mr. M. V. D. Doughty, whose term as commissioner has expired, but who holds over until his successor takes his seat, have both read in the papers about a meeting of the board being called for tomorrow night. They are both anxious to know who called the meeting and who is going to meet, as neither has been notified.

The fact that Mr. Stuart has not been notified is a surprise, as it was presumed he would be, inasmuch as his position on the board is not questioned.

All the Daily Press knows about the mysterious meeting which is puzzling these gentlemen so, is that on last Wednesday night—that memorable last Wednesday night—when Messrs. Wilson and Robinson failed to get to the board meeting in time to participate in the proceedings of the board, Mr. Wilson was urged to hold a meeting then and there. This he refused to do, saying it was too late. He then informed the mayor and Mr. E. S. Robinson, both of whom were very much interested in what he was going to do about it, that he would call a meeting of the board for the following Wednesday night.

That is all there is to it. The mystery is elucidated.

After the meeting, however, Mr. Wilson informed a representative of the Daily Press that he did not think anything further should be done by the board until the commissioners' fight was settled. He did not, however, recall his announcement that a meeting would be called for the following Wednesday night, and at that time the Mayor and Mr. Robinson were under the impression that the meeting would be held.

It may be stated, also, that on that occasion Mr. Wilson expressed a desire to have Mr. Stuart present. He did not include Mr. Doughty in the expressed desire, most probably because he thought that it would be best for him not to act as commissioner until the situation.

Now that is how the whole thing stands. If there is a meeting, no one will be hurt. If there isn't a meeting, no one will be hurt. So, there!

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Shut-Down. Case of Personal Spite.

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Not yet is Bloodfield to witness the passing of the "Lucy Coleman," that noted institution which has for long been a terror to the evildoers of that region which does not flow with milk and honey.

Ex-Deputy Sheriff Jeff Phillips has turned the resort over to his successor, the new deputy, John Williamson, who will hereafter preside over its grim destinies.

Whether this information will be pleasing matters little, or not at all. The average criminal, so long as he is bound to be locked up, cares very little about what place he is locked up in.

The officers who have the locking up to do, though, will doubtless be glad of the re-opening of the "Lucy" as it will save them a long walk over to the city every time they nab a man.

The city authorities will not be dissatisfied either to lose the undesirable patronage of the county. Former combinations with the Old Free State have not proven very satisfactory.

The reopening of the "Lucy Coleman" was not attended by any ceremony.

There were no speeches, other than those uttered by the rowdies brought in Saturday night, and most of them are unprintable. The rest are not worth recording.

In justice to ex-Sheriff Young it must be said that he was not responsible for the temporary shut-down of the resort. He knew nothing of it until informed a few days ago that the place had been closed greatly to the inconvenience of a detriment of the police force. He then co-operated with the authorities in having it opened again. It seems to have been closed by a subordinate who was ready to do anything that would harass the county police force in the discharge of their duties. It was a lovely little joke, viewed from a certain peculiar sort of standpoint, but a refined sense of humor utterly fails to appreciate it.

Chief Boatwright and the men under him are pursuing the police force of their way notwithstanding the edict of the Newport district board of police commissioners, which, it is the common opinion, has not failed to take advantage of the object-lesson furnished by the board of supervisors. Whether the edict will ever be enforced remains to be seen. It may be confidently stated, however, that it never will be until the officers have had a proper hearing. Judge Lee may never bring the matter up, but if he does he will certainly accord to the officers the rights so arbitrarily denied them by Messrs. Smith and Horton, who control the board.

The one man on the board who showed any disposition whatever to give the officers a fair trial, Mr. A. C. Pulliam, will probably never meet with the present board again. He has had enough of his esteemed colleagues to last him a life time. He joined in the first meeting in this connection with the hope that he might be able to secure the ends of justice in influencing the other two to give fair play all round. He succeeded by the firm stand he took in securing a semblance of fair play, but it was a shadow only, and as soon as the other two members got a chance to meet where Mr. Pulliam could not use his arguments, they got together and passed that first illegal order removing the men from the force. Finding that this was ignored, another meeting was held on short notice at Warwick Court House and the second order was made, which order is now in a sense before Judge Lee.

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